COWS ABOUT TO CALVE. From the American Stock Journal. Many farmers consider that if they commence feeding their cows after they have calved, they do all that ought to be done. A very intelligent farmer, to whom I happened to be speaking of this a few days wintered cheaper in warm, snug quarters food given before calving was worth, for however, can tell the difference between the cow's present and future welfare, two pailsful given afterwards. His argument comfortably housed than those kept in the was: That almost all cows are poorly win- open field. tered, and were thereby generally weak have an accession. We all know that unless health and strength are the rule instead of field, from the 21st of November to Decemthe exception, no cow will be at her best ber 1st-ten days-and consumed ninety

of strength towards Spring, she will thus increase on the same length of time. until plenty of grass has recuperated her pounds of food per day, the temperature low condition consequent on the Winter being at forty-four degrees, and at the end neglect; and hence, under such treatment, of the time they weighed two pounds less the full yield of milk will take place some than when first exposed. weeks sooner than it otherwise would .- Five sheep were then placed in a shed at frequently seen that the poor man's cow had increased in weight thirty pounds. The poor man takes plenty of care of his food were not taken into account, the excow when she is milking and valuable, but periment was only to determine the amount not want much food-a great mistake, as food housed or unhoused. even than horses. I have often seen the condition, what must be the difference bedifference between the work that a well-fed tween animals comfortably housed and compared, even though both are fed alike ein winters?

pleasant day, take a pail full of warm that animals should not suffer for want water and put in as much carbolic acid as of it. you think will do. It don't require a great deal. Saturate each animal thoroughly from the end of the nose to the end of the tail, and rub it in with a horse brush or which will yield remunerating crops, unasnot need to be repeated unless the cattle are very lousy.

## ICE HOUSES.

custom is to raise the wall two feet higher

tant, and which one man can cut and throw out on the breast, as fast as we can haul is with one team—he using a sharp, spadepointed iron bar to break it loose from the main body. At the pit we drive along side the door, rest one end of a board plank on the side of the wagon, the other in the door, and slide the ice in pell-inell, going down once in a while to arrange it some what. Some time before spring we cover the ice with about two feet thickness of straw, (oats is best on account of their packing closer.) So far we have always had plenty of ice throughout the season, with some left. It is used unsparingly for all purposes about which ice is usually meeded at the house and dairy, both in making butter and packing to carry to market.

The above is a fair samule of all the ice.

houses in our region, save that some are built without mortar, which is a disadvantage, as the tighter the wall is made the better the ice will keep. There is an occa-sional structure built above ground, but the increased cost, with inconvenience of filling make them unpopular, except for large establishments where machinery can be used to hoist the ice. Under draining, artificially, is never thought of. We select a knoll where the earth is usually light and porous, allowing all water to sink rapidly. My location at the depth of four or five feet was of a fine saudy nature, light enough to shovel out without using pick or hoe, and in which water would sink very rapidly. The close tacking usually was and expense of help."

The Proper Care of Implements.—In many cases the wooden part of an implement will outlast the metallic. No one would think to paint or use any special means to save a spade or rake handle; but it is different with many things, and as a general thing much more attention might be given to the proper preservation of farm implements than they receive. Many persons use paint for this purpose; but this is costly, and sometimes it would pay to preserve wood at the cost of paint. It is not generally known that it is only the oil, or at best chiefly the oil, which is the preservative element, it either material being added more for the "looks" springing up through business habits such THE PROPER CARE OF IMPLEMENTS .-- In which is the preservative element, it eather material being added more for the "looks springing up through business habits such of the thing" than any other reason. A as only by the aid of which can any merpiece of wood, well oiled, will last nearly or quite as long as though painted in the best manner. The American Agriculturist says that crude petroleum is quite as good as the best linseed oil for this purpose; and if so it is of course much cheaper, and is within animal with half a plut of thin tar, which

the reach of every one. FRENCH COOKERY.—It is a cardinal principle of French cookery that water which one half pint soft soap will cure the worst has had anything boiled in it is sacred. case of lots. Hence the de icicus'y appetising soups of France. French cooks say that the Eng. The deficiency of yield of ground lish will boil the very best leg of the very traversed by the shadow of trees may be

Economy of Shelter for Stock.

In all warm-blooded animals, a portion of the food consumed is converted, by a process of combustion, without which the organs could not perform their functions; and until food enough is consumed to keep the body of the animal at the necessary temperature, none is converted into either fat, milk or wool. Hence stock can be since, said he considered that one pailful of than when running in a stable yard. Few. the amount of food necessary to animals

An experiment by Lord Luice, which towards the Spring, and when warm weath- has been extensively quoted, serves to throw er came they felt the enervating effect of it, some light on this subject. By his direcjust as we do, and consequently needed tions, one hundred sheep confined in a shed more and better food to gather strength to enable them to go through the ordeal of turnips per day; and another hundred in calving, so as to have an almost certain the open field, were fed twenty-five pounds chance of doing well afterwards. To be each; and yet the former, on one-fifth less equal to this effort, the cow should be lib. food, at the end of a few weeks, had gained erally fed for some time before she has her three pounds each more than the others, or calf, and instead of suffering a depreciation at the rate of three and four-fifths pounds

Next, five sheep were fed in the open

For many years I have had great experience a temperature of forty-nine degrees, and GEO. P. ROWELL & CO.'S AMERICAN in cow keeping, and I have, with few ex. at first consumed eighty-two pounds of ceptions, been fortunate in having no sick food, then only seventy pounds, and at the or weak cows. I attribute this altogether expiration of ten days they had gained to giving plenty of food some time before twenty-three pounds. Another five were calving. Another reason for so doing is, placed in a shed and not allowed to take that if you wait until afterwards, the stim. any exercise. They ato at first sixty-four ulating effect of more and better food pounds of food, then only fifty-eight causes too much reaction, and hence it is pounds, and at the expiration of the time dies sooner than the well-to do farmer's .- Of course, as the kind and cost of the

before that time any food will do for her; of food consumed and difference in increase "she is dry," they say, and therefore can. of weight between animals upon the same they very soon find out to their cost .- If a variation of five degrees of tempera-Horned cattle want food in Spring, more ture will make such a difference in food and

yoke of oxen will do in hot weather, when those exposed to the severity of our Northat the time of working, with that of straw If it would be necessary to expend a large wintered, half-starved, lean beasts. It is sum of money to provide shelter for aniof little or no use to feed just as hot weath. mals, it would be folly to advise the mass er and hard work begins. Feed sooner, of farmers to do so, but as shelter sufficient and get your oxen into good heart, and to protect them from the wind and storm

then when work pushes, they will be equal would cost but little, although it might be neither spacious nor sightly, we believe KILLING LICE ON CATTLE.—On a warm, that humanity as well as economy demands

### MANURES.

There are but few farms, the soil of anything that will do, until every inch of the animal is drenched to the skin; put the tail in the pail and soak it thoroughly, as there and around the horns, you will usually find the most lice. Put each animals is the table immediately, where they mal in the stable immediately, where they cannot lick themselves until dry. This will to the cathering materials for the compost to the gathering materials for the compost heap, of the importance of which we have in our time written enough to fill a good sized volume, and of the value of which we were never more fully impressed than W. T. Smedley, of Chester county, Pa., at the present time,-still the addition of communicates to the Germantown Telegraph | commercial manures of an approved charthe following plan for building a cheap ice acter can always be made to pay, even if house; which is the old way, and as he mixed with those of the barn-yard and proves, much the best for a farm ice house: compost heap. There are three or four "Three years ago, having become tired constituents of soils that can be supplied of a partnership ice house, I built one thus: dug a pit 12 feet deep, 13 feet square at top, 12 feet square at bottom; walled it with stone, wall one foot thick, mortared with good lime and sand mortar for six inches on face side. Did the work ourselves, which any one skillful enough to work on a farm should be able to do.

The full value of hauling stones, digging pit, building wall, finding mortar, and tending, together with boarding workmen, was certainly not over \$20. The usual creation of artificial manures—these may be sumed up in few words, 1st, plosphoric acid, as furnished first by bone earth, mixed with one-third or fourth of its weight in Peruvian guano, or pure Fish guano to furnish, 2d, ammonia; 2d, ashes, in any reasonable quantity, to give the potash so absolutely necessary to many crops; and 4th, plaster, which not only retains the virtues of the manures to which it is added, but also of a partnership ice house, I built one thus: with advantage by the application of artiwhich not only retains the virtues of the manures to which it is added, but also in a complete line of custom is to raise the wall two feet higher than ground-level, put on rough frame with board roof of sharp pitch, which would have cost \$10 more. Our ice house being adjoining the milk vault, (we do not use a spring,) we built a one-storied, frame building above the ice house, in which to keep such dairy fixtures as were temporarily needed. This building had a tightly-ritting floor to keep all dirt from getting through to the ice, which will not last if through to the ice, which will not last if dirt or dust sifts on to it. The joists on which the floor was laid were six inches thick, the spaces between which were left open at the ends to allow a current of air to pass over the ice to carry off all exhalations. Now, about the filling. Our pit holds if not already in the soil, should be applied twelve three-horse loads, which we hall at the commencement of every rotation, from a mill-pond one-fourth of a mile distant, and which one man can cut and throw

The above is a fair sample of all the ice quite as profitable as the mercantile conare cerns which so often dazzle and entice the young from rural life.

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There seems to have been two great eras in the agriculture of the immediate past. The first was wholly the age of practical hoe, and in which water would sink very rapidly. The close packing usually practiced in the above-ground structures would certainly make the ice keep better than throwing it in loosely, but so long as we have ice throughout the season by our way, we don't care to add the increased labor and expense of help." agricultural chemist, with his soil analysis and other vagaries, became a power, and

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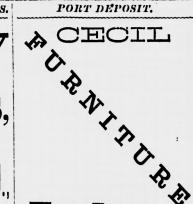
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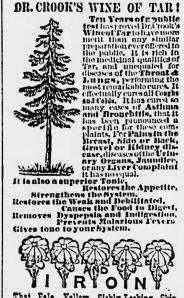


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